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Ten years of pedestrian detection, what have we learned ?



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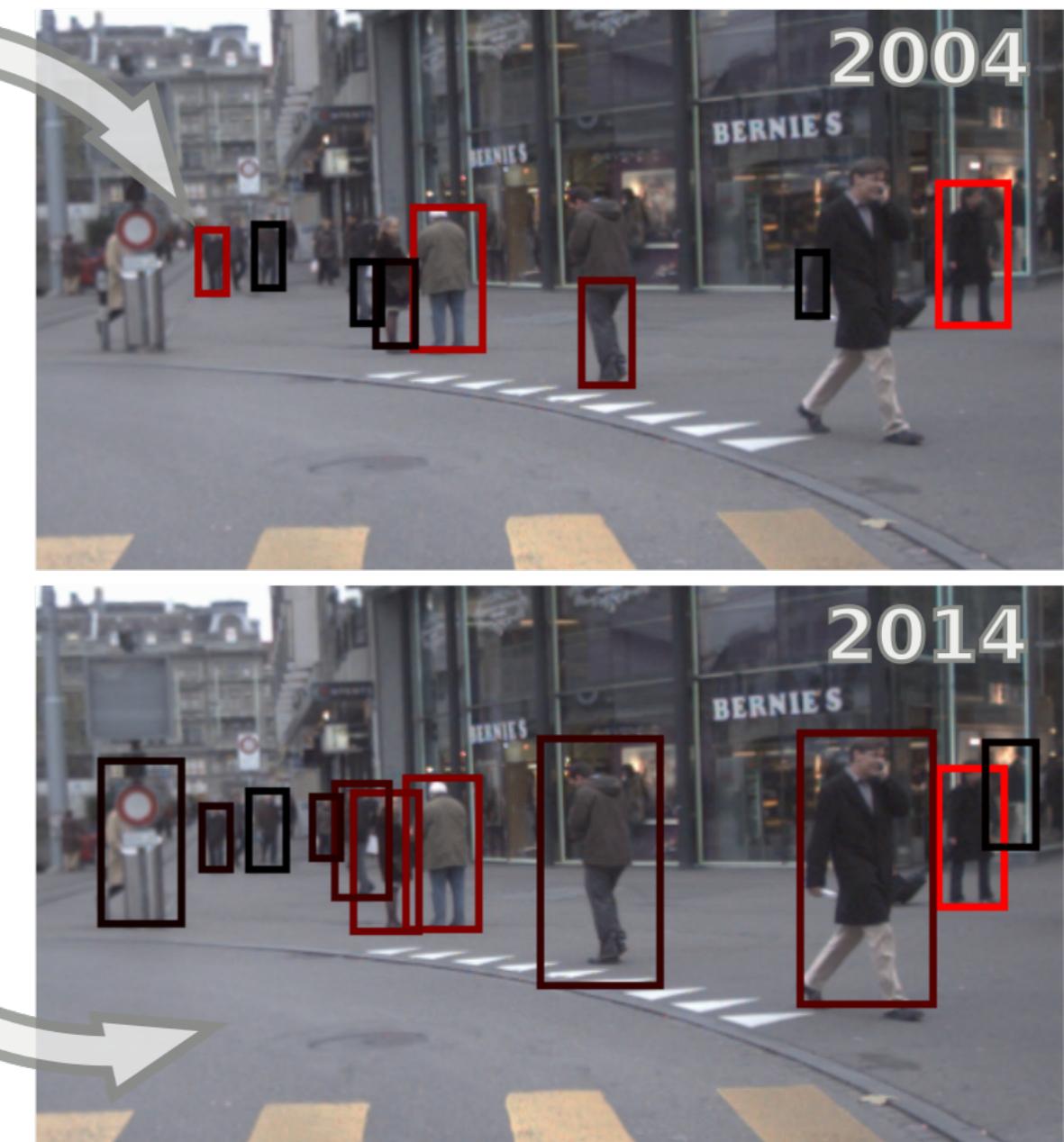
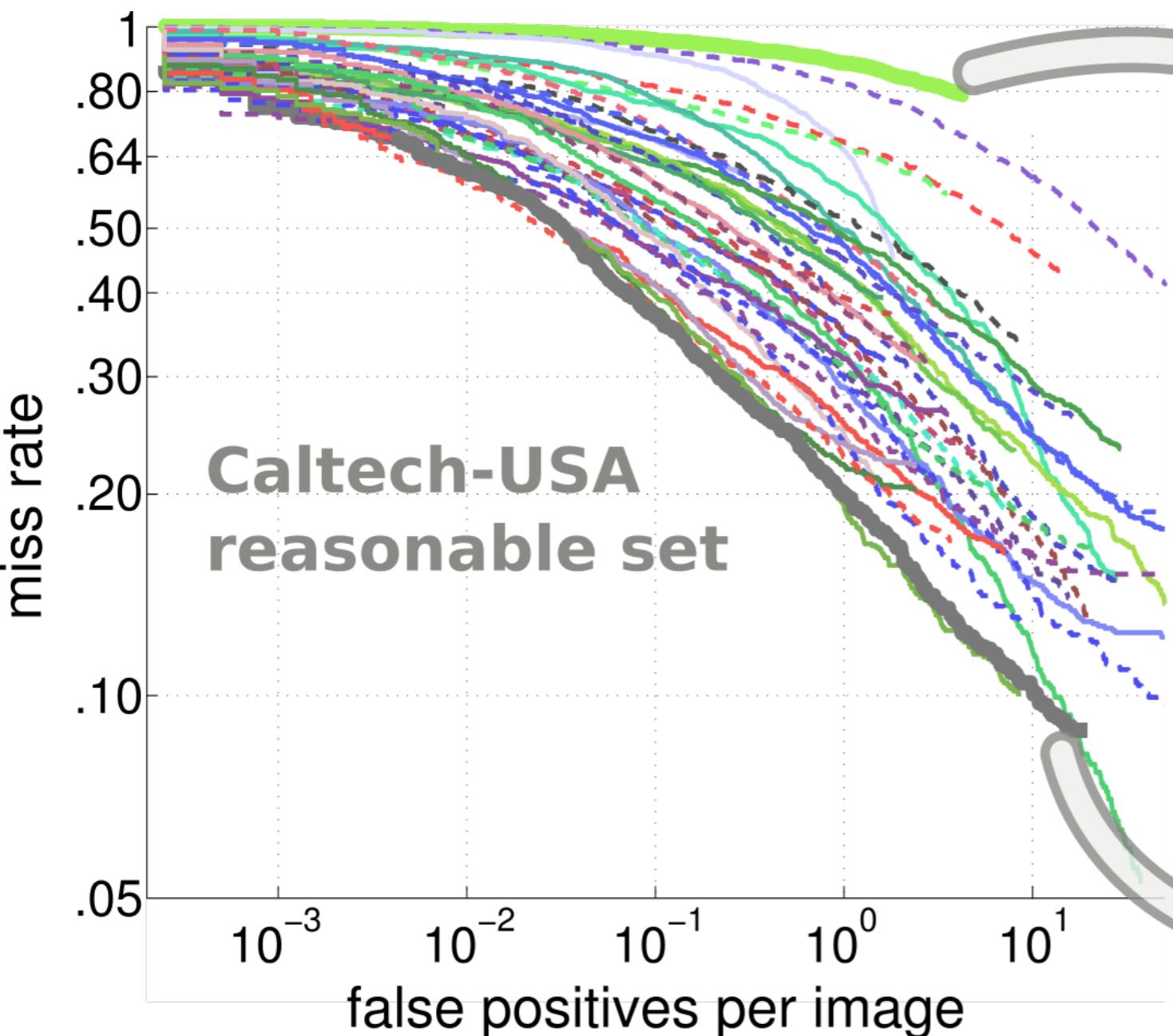


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This presentation: paper overview + my 3 surprises



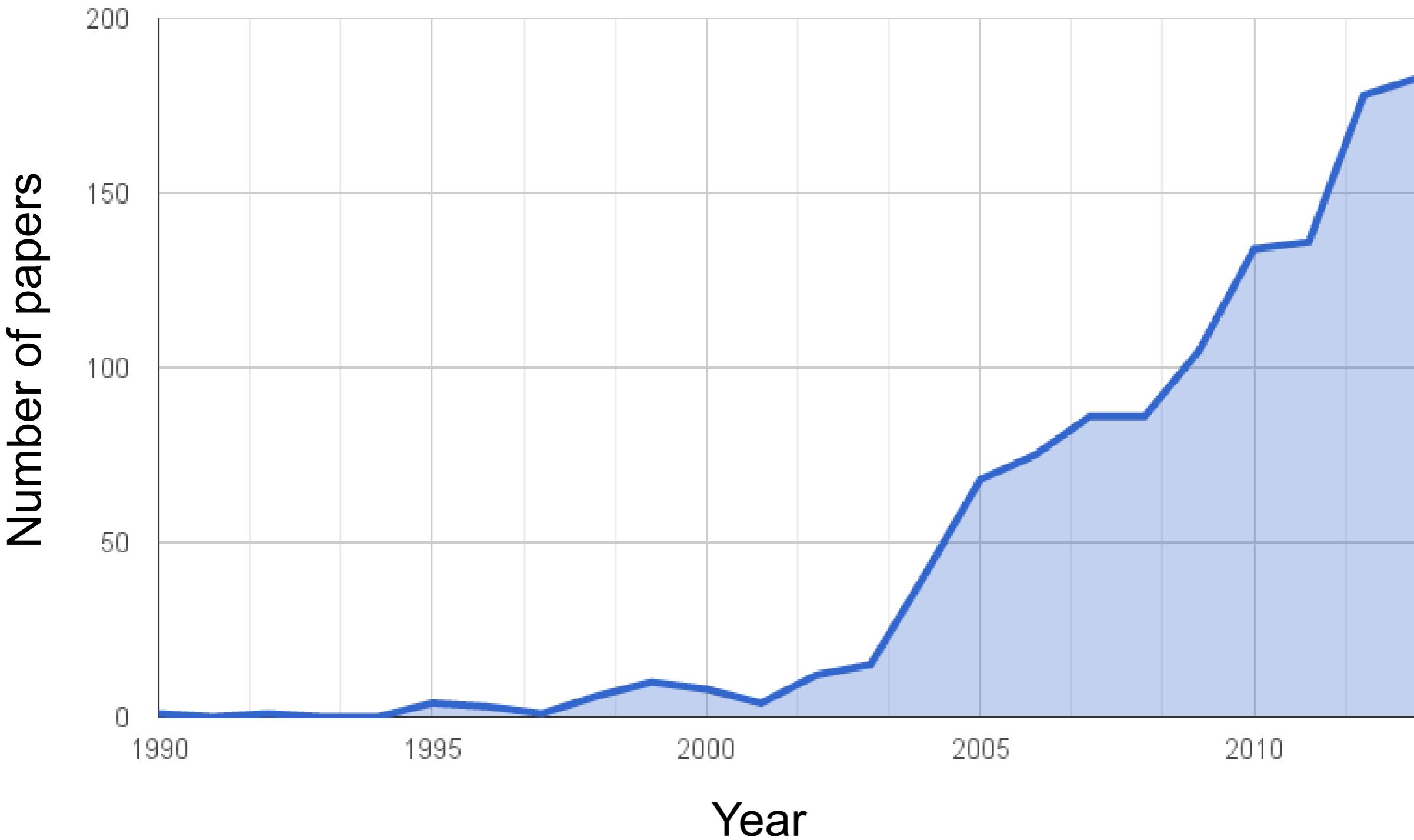
Great progress in pedestrian detection during last decade



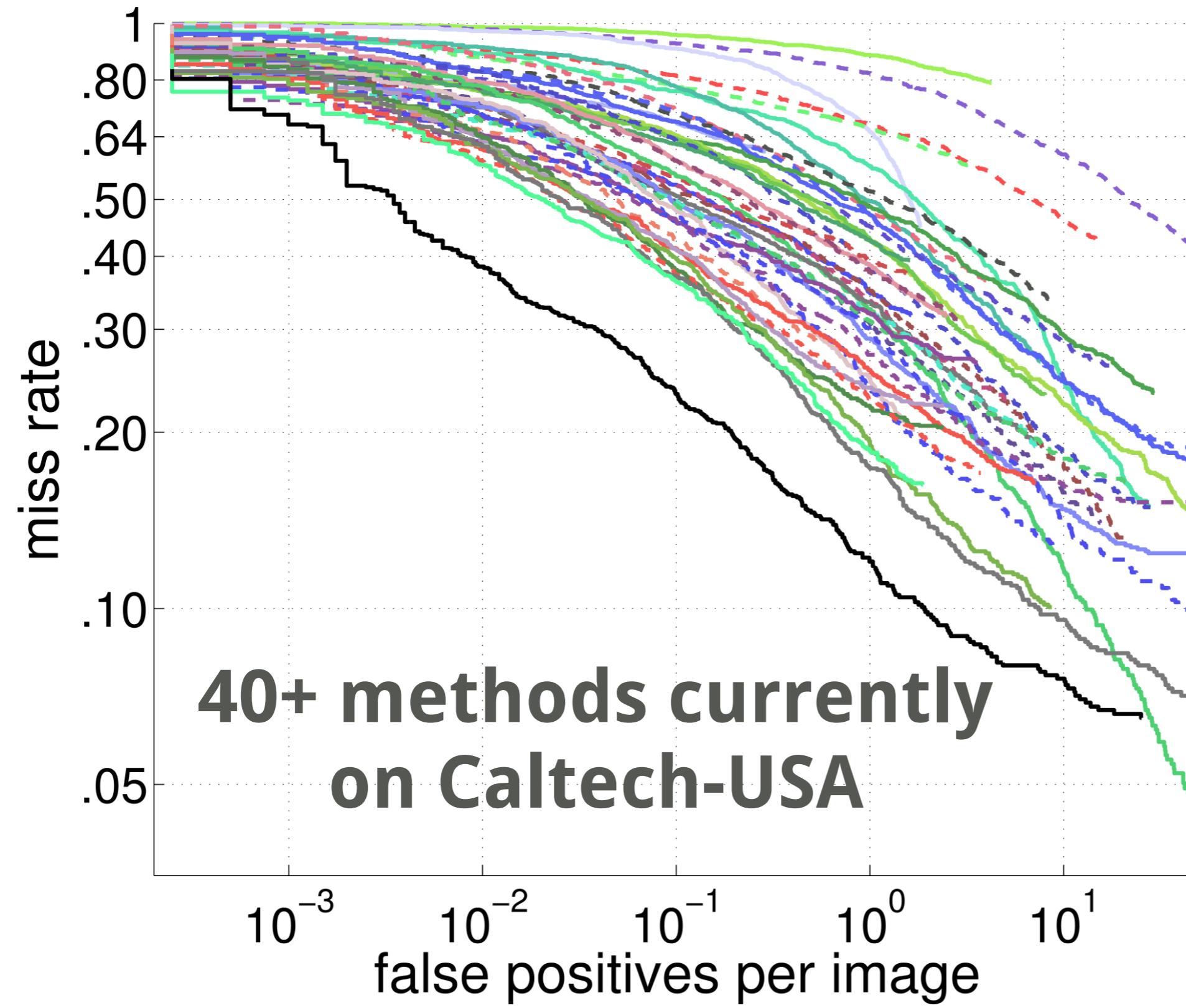
Caltech-USA is currently the most active dataset.

Pedestrian detection is still very active

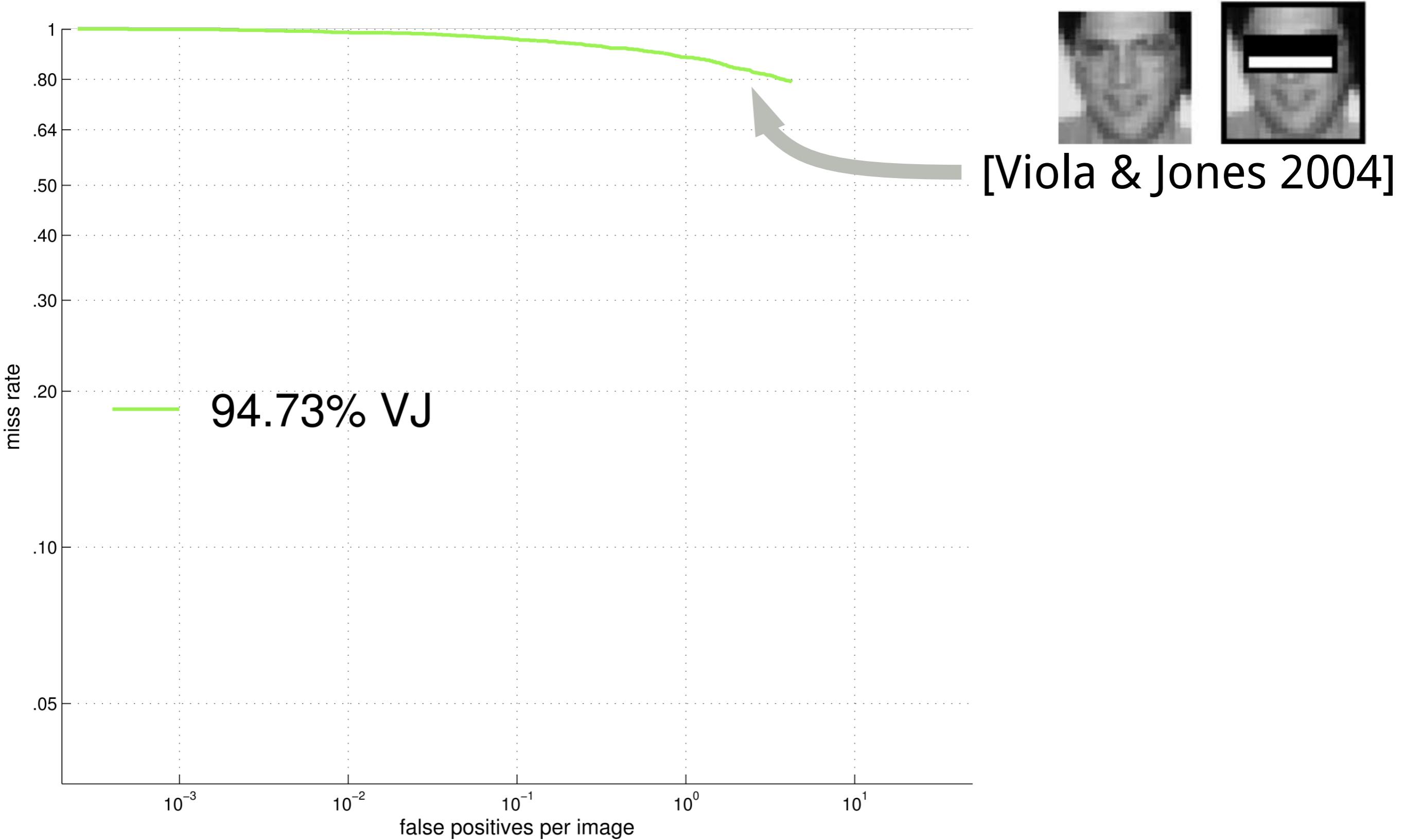
Papers with "Pedestrian detection" in the title



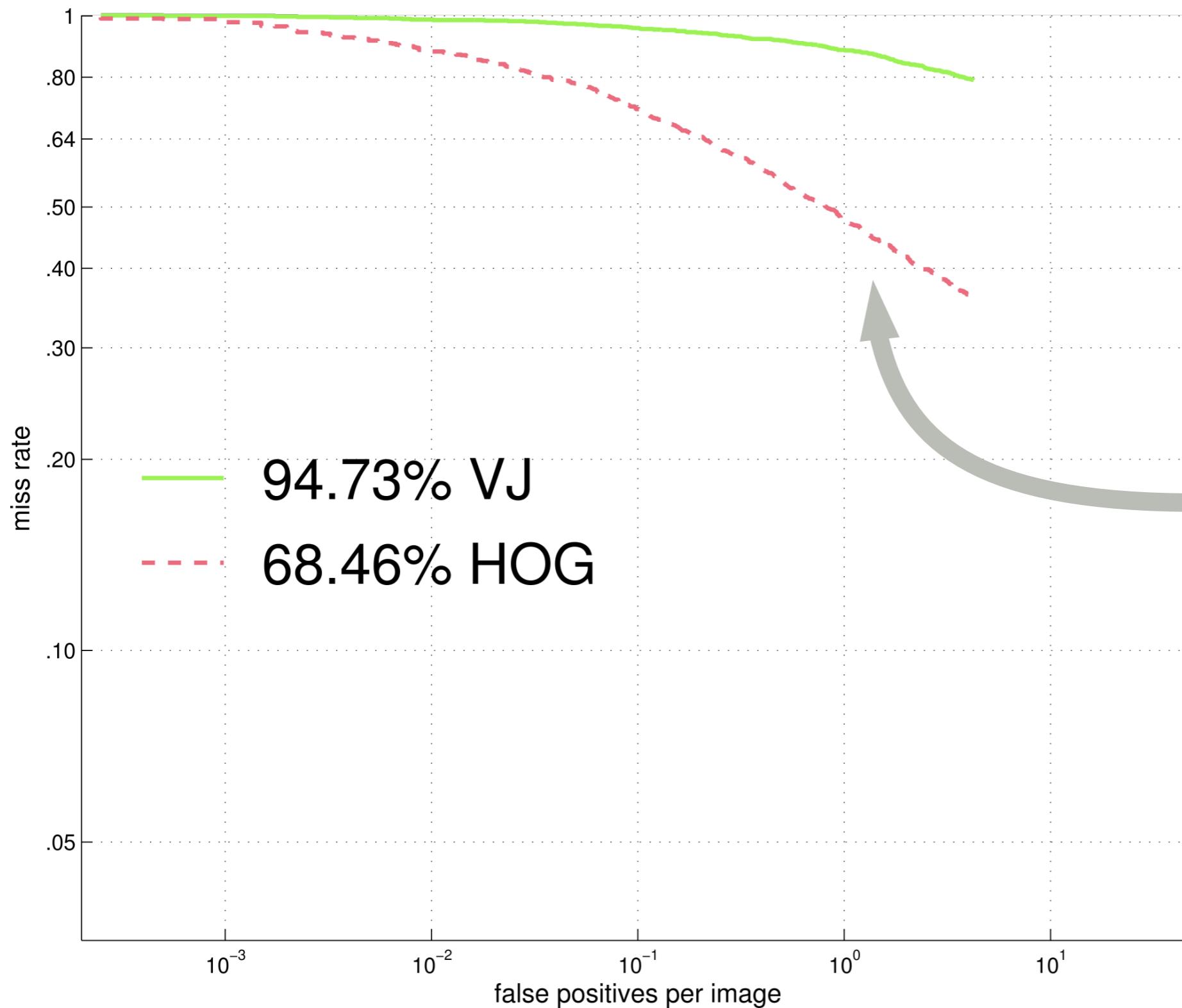
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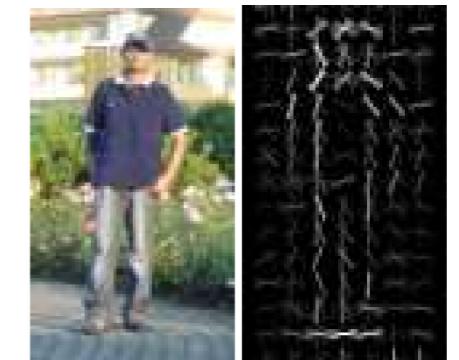
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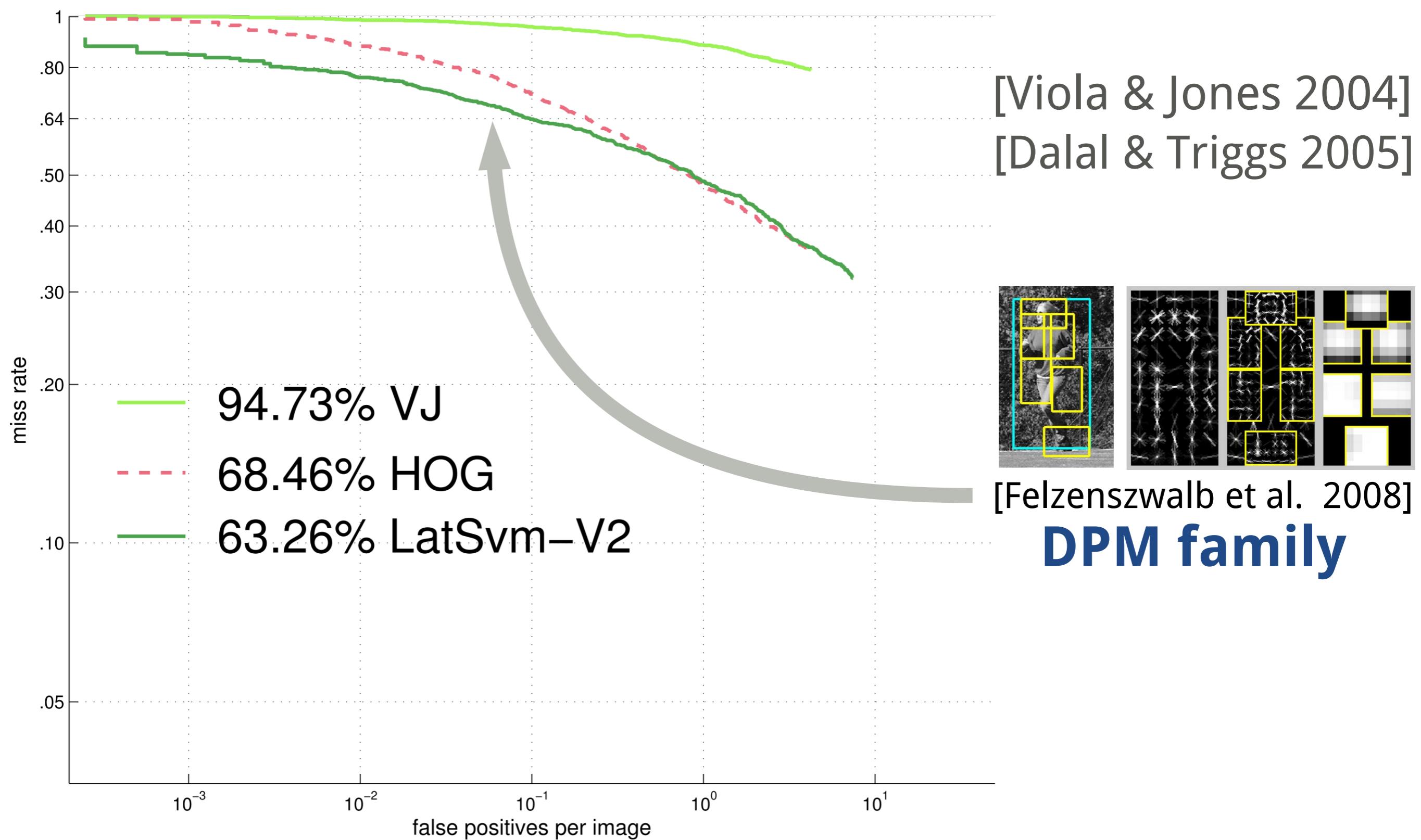


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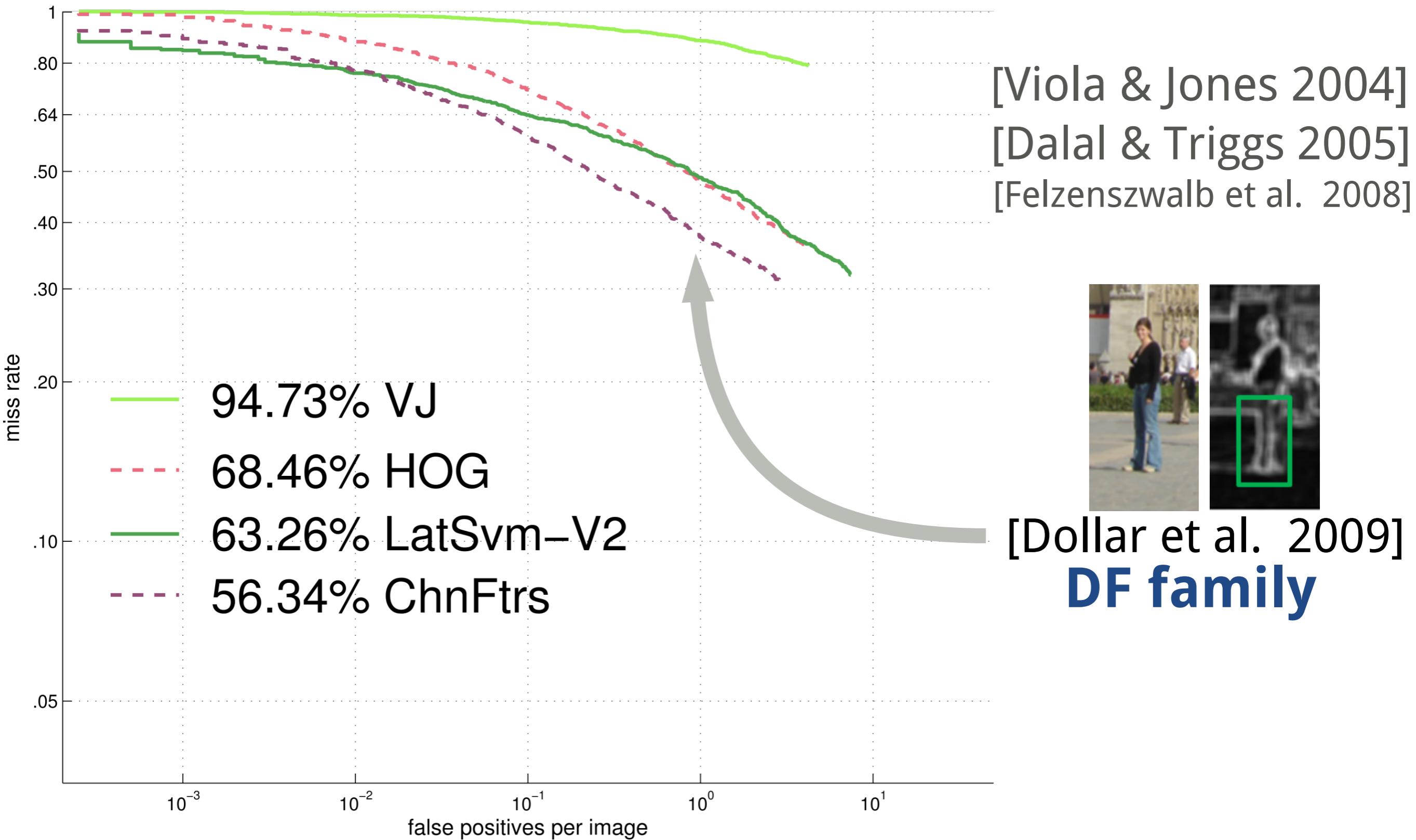


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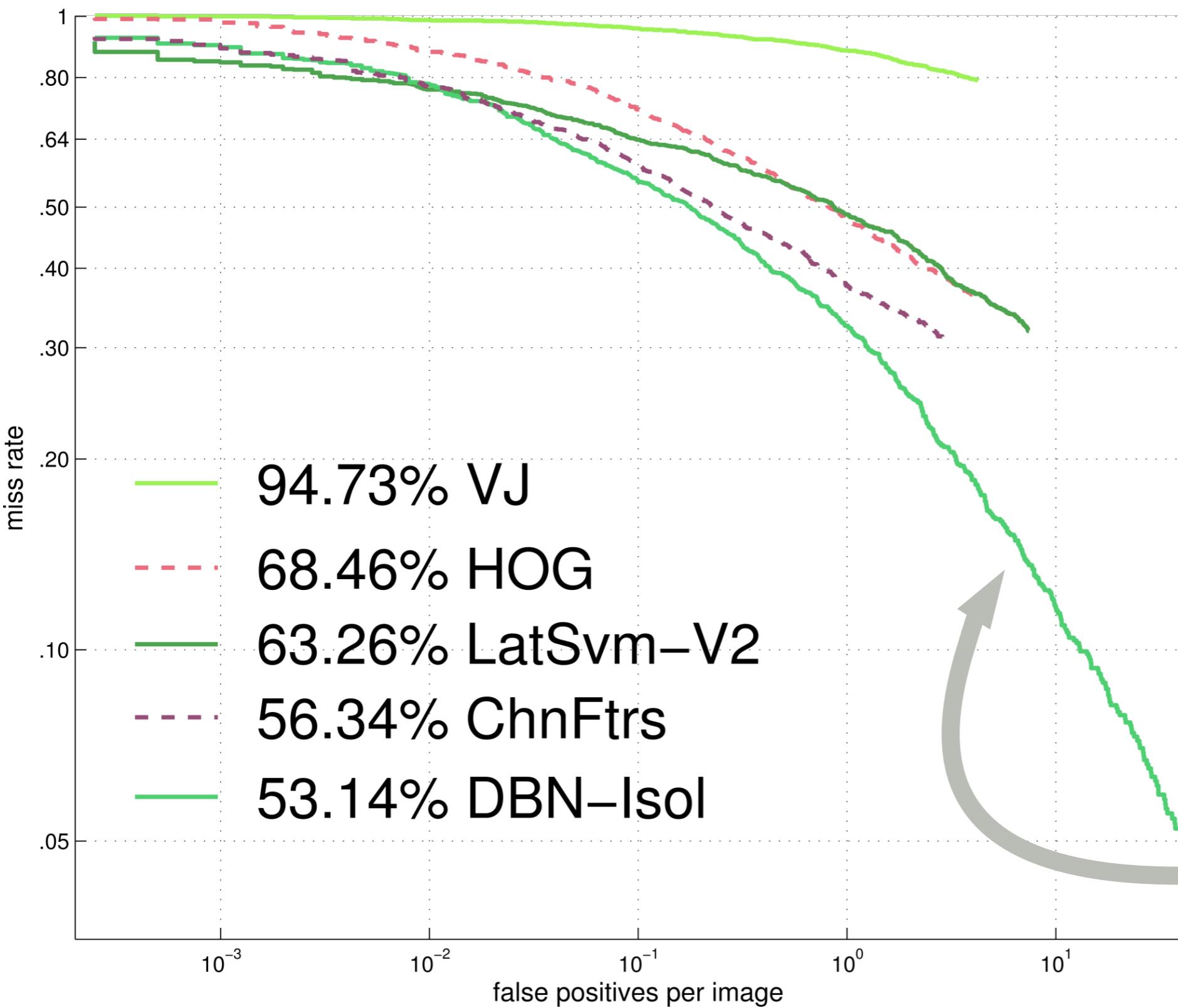
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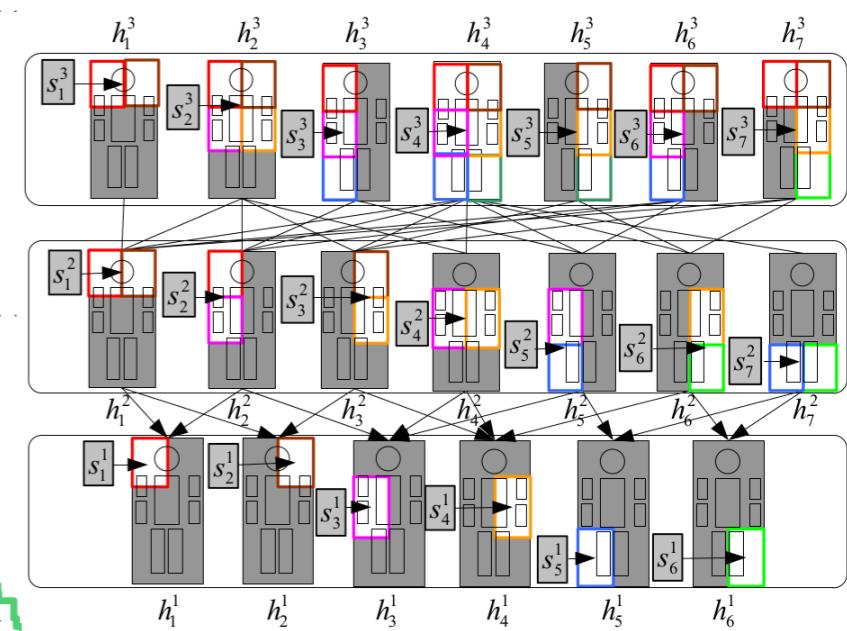
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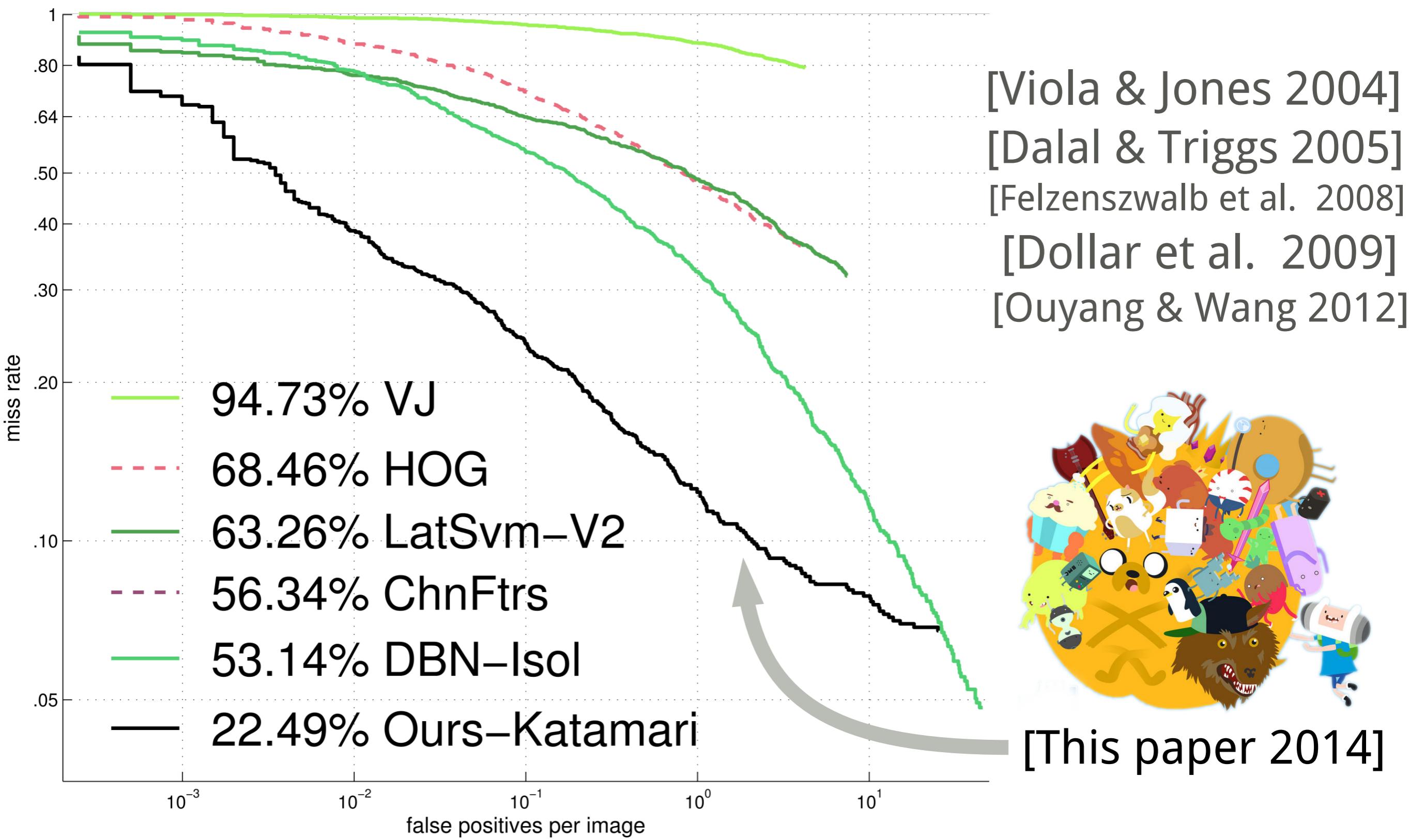


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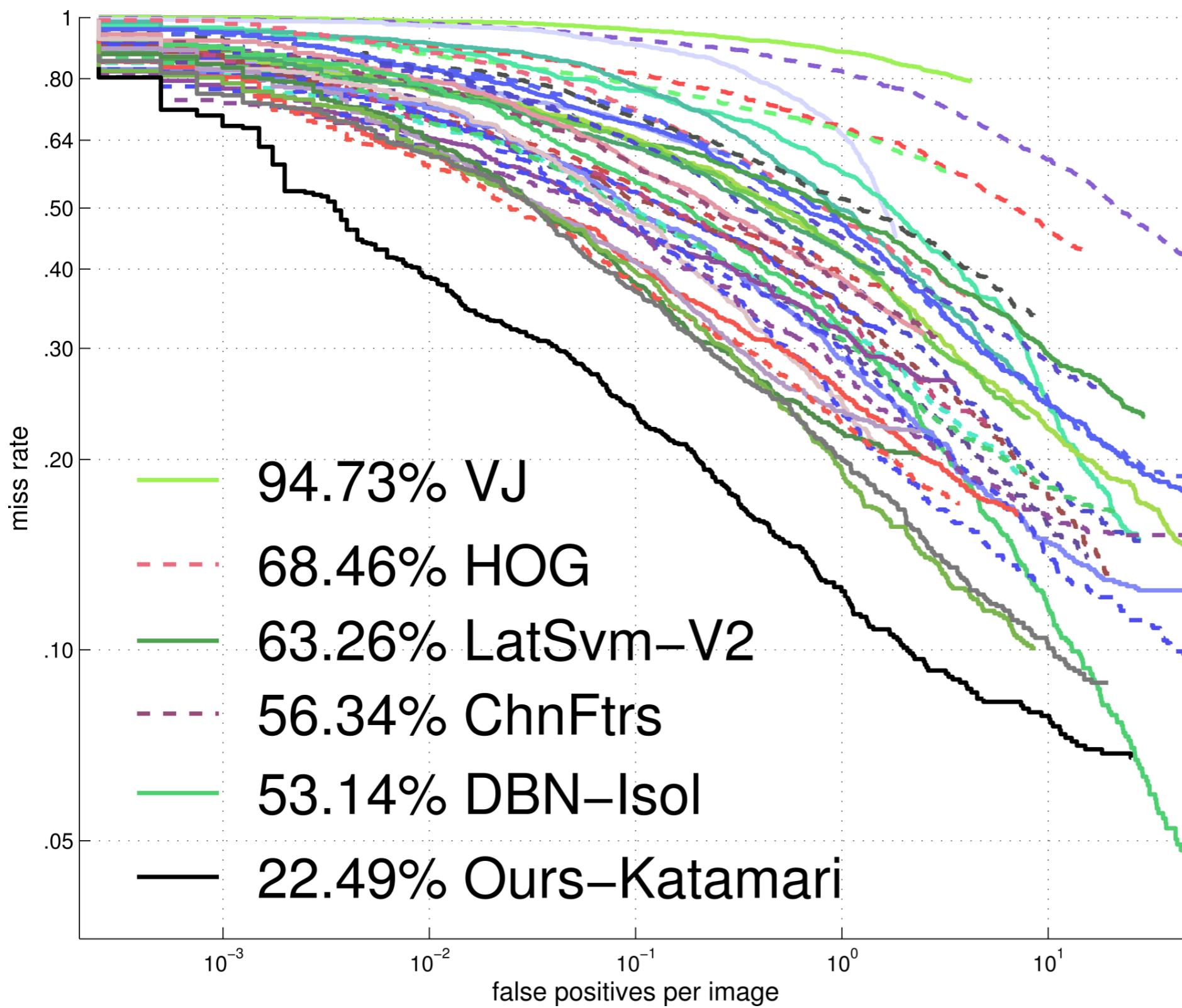


[Ouyang & Wang 2012]
DN family

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Surprise 1:

There is no clear winner regarding solution family (DPM, DN, or DF) or classifier type.



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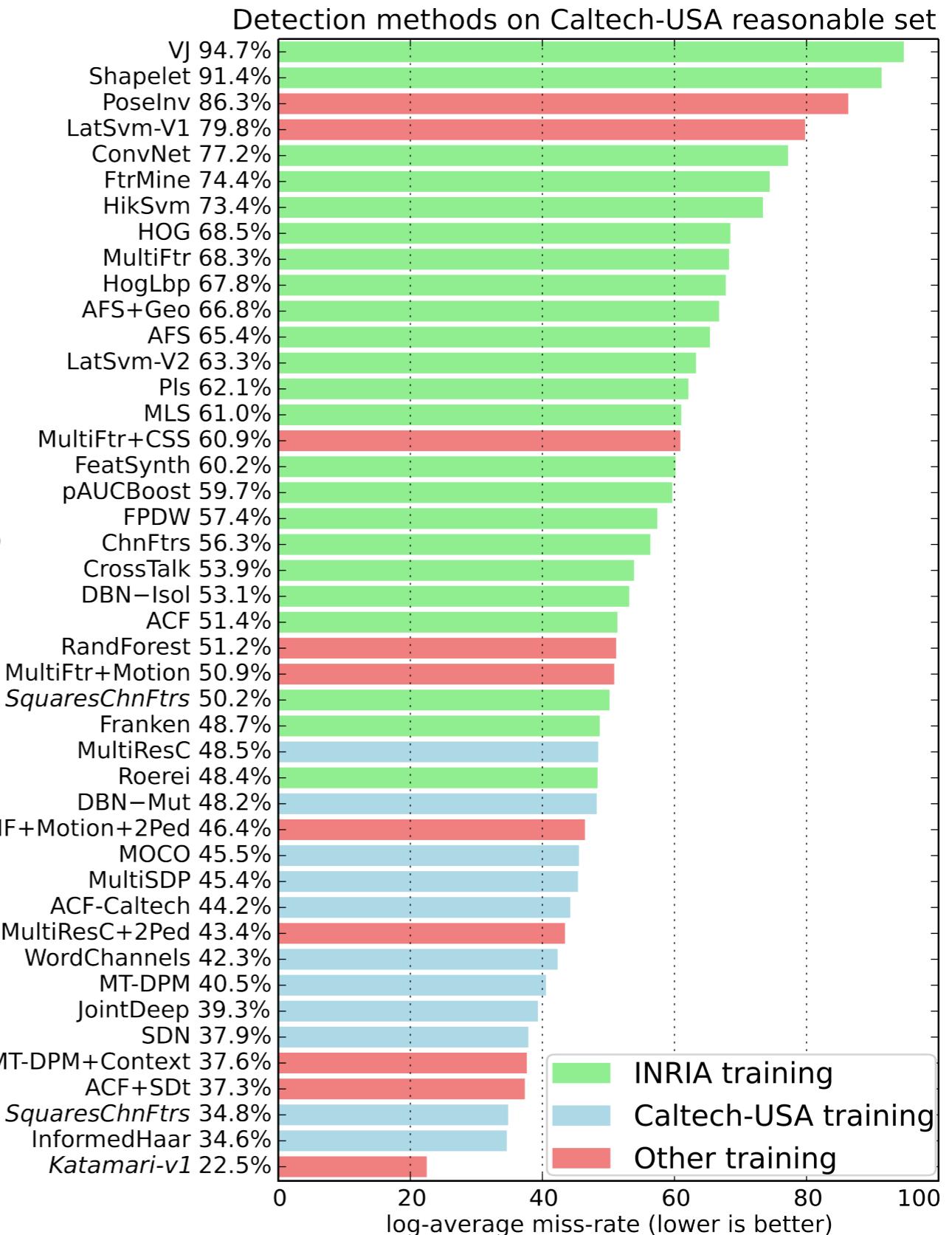
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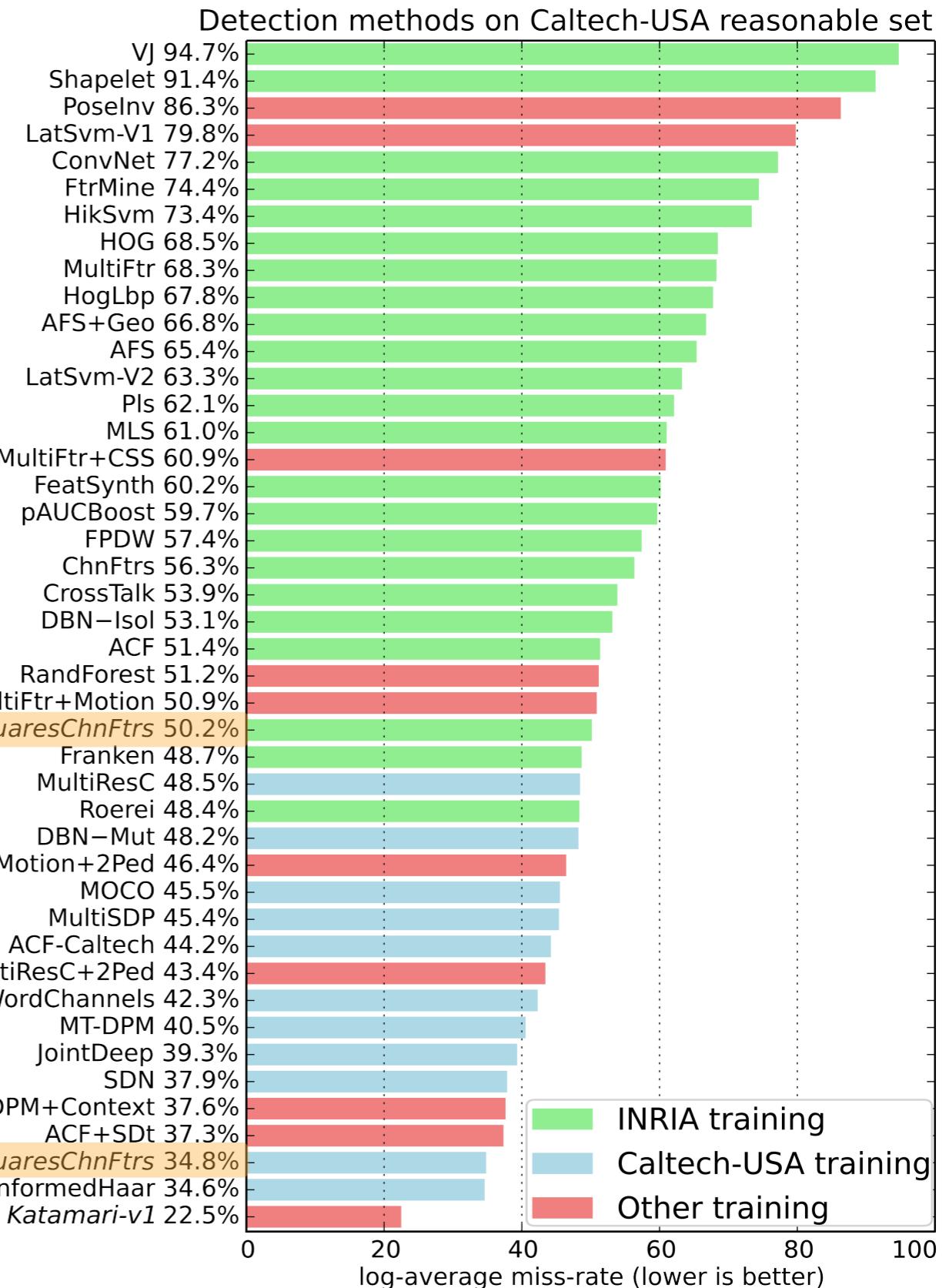
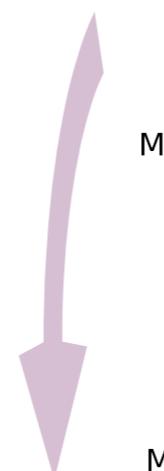
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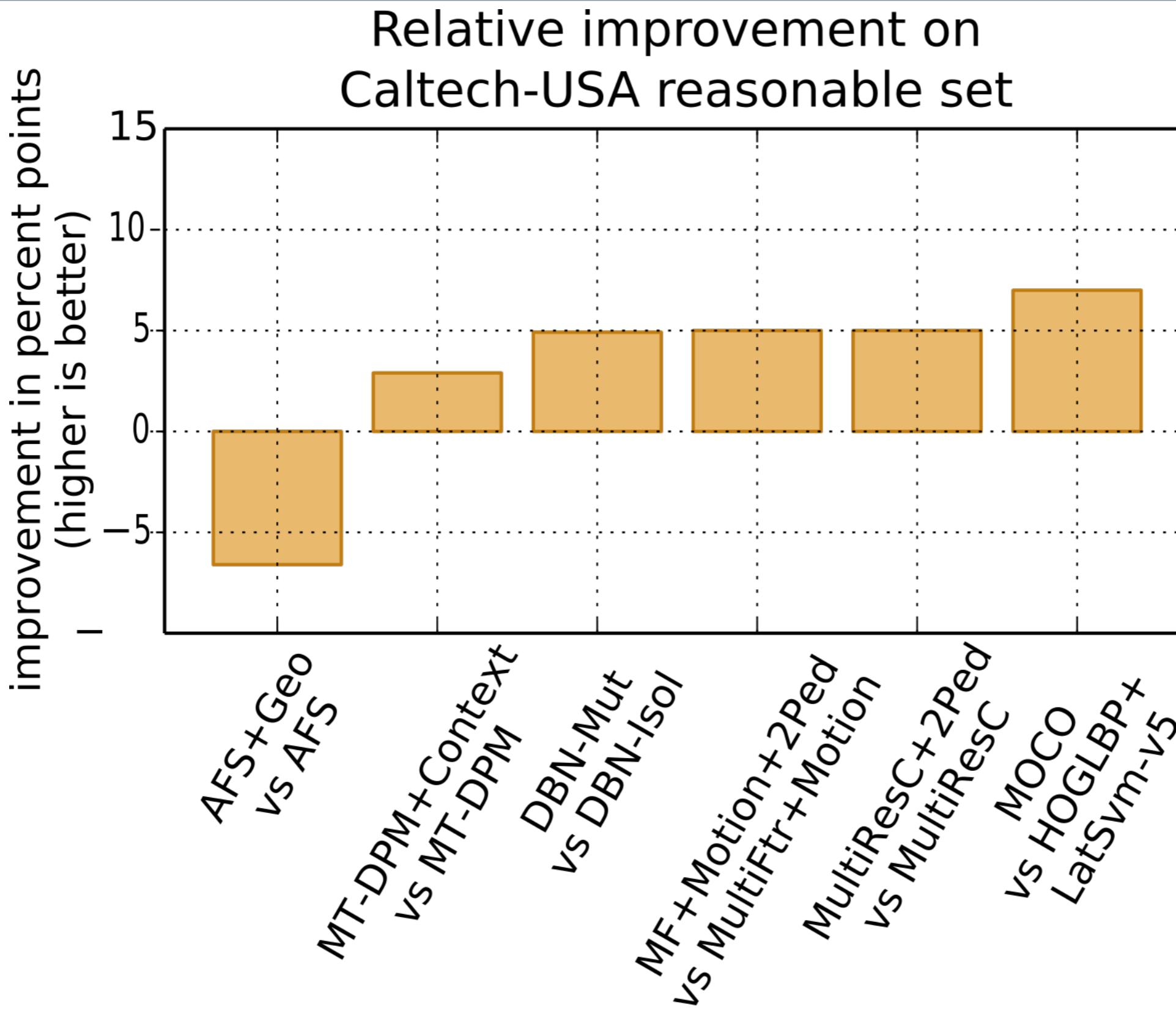
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Using context helps (expect ~5 pp improvement)



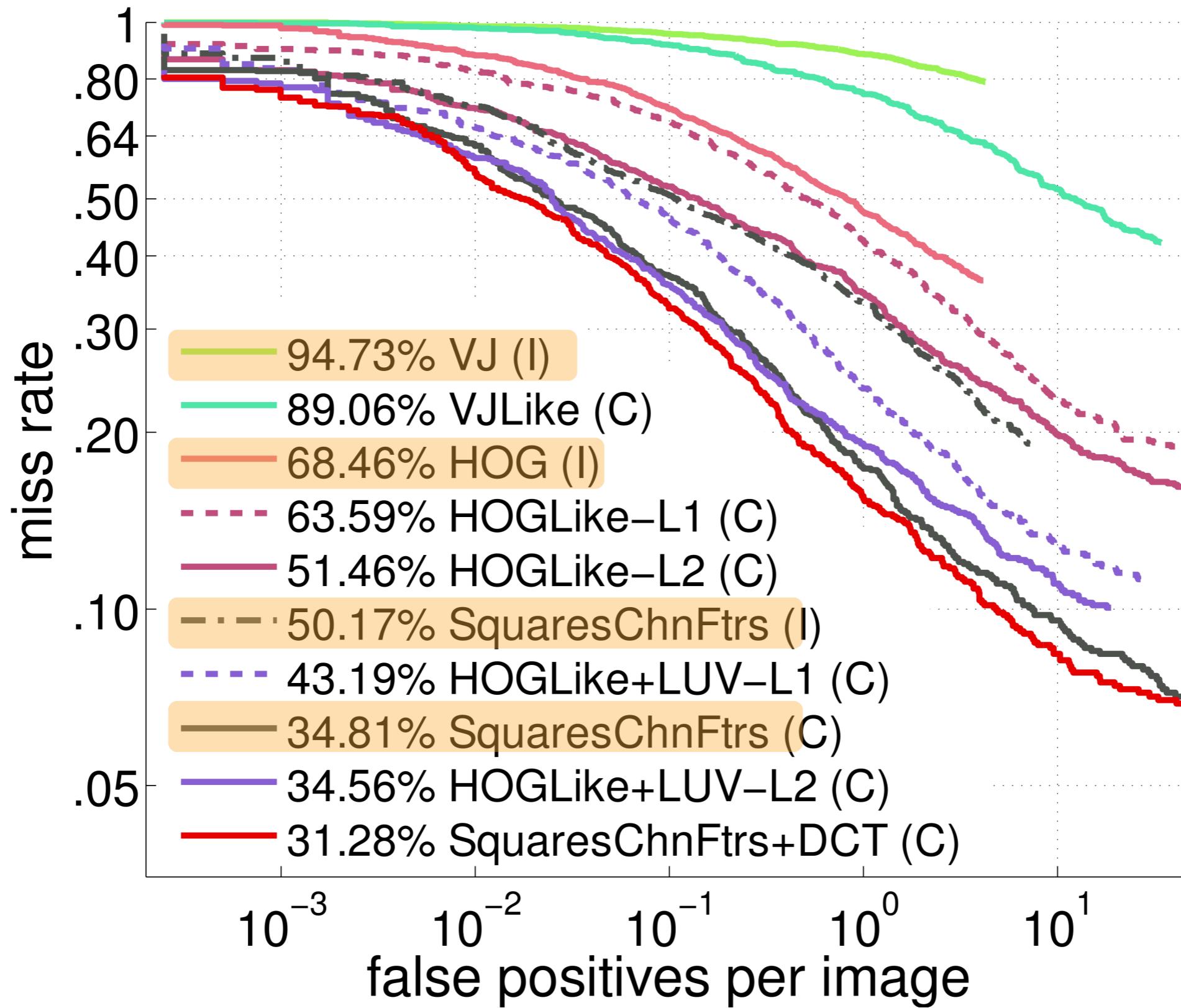
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Experiments

(some of them)

Features alone can explain 10 years of progress



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Results in MR (lower is better). Improvement in MR percent points.

[DCT: Nam et al. ArXiv 2014]

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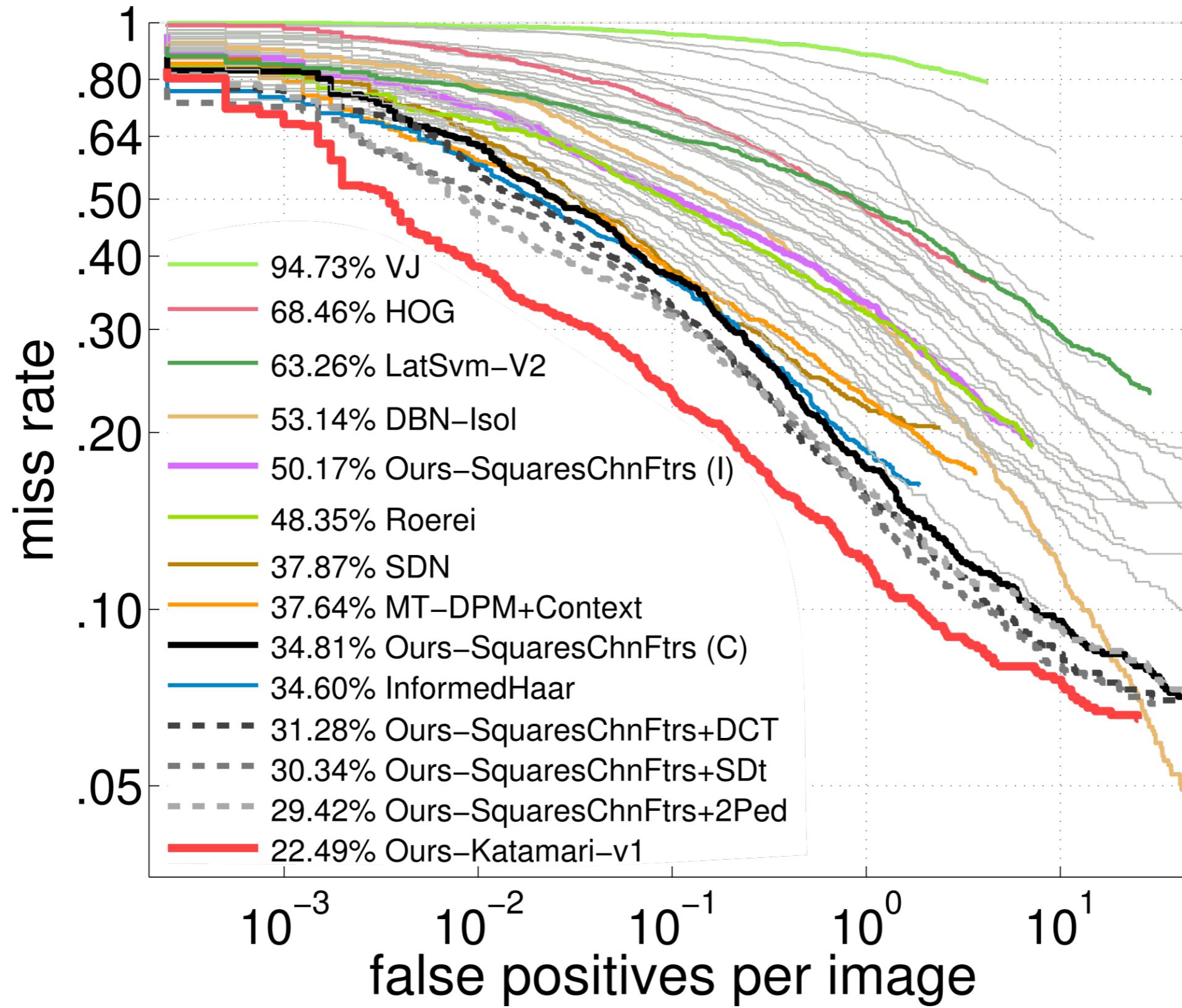
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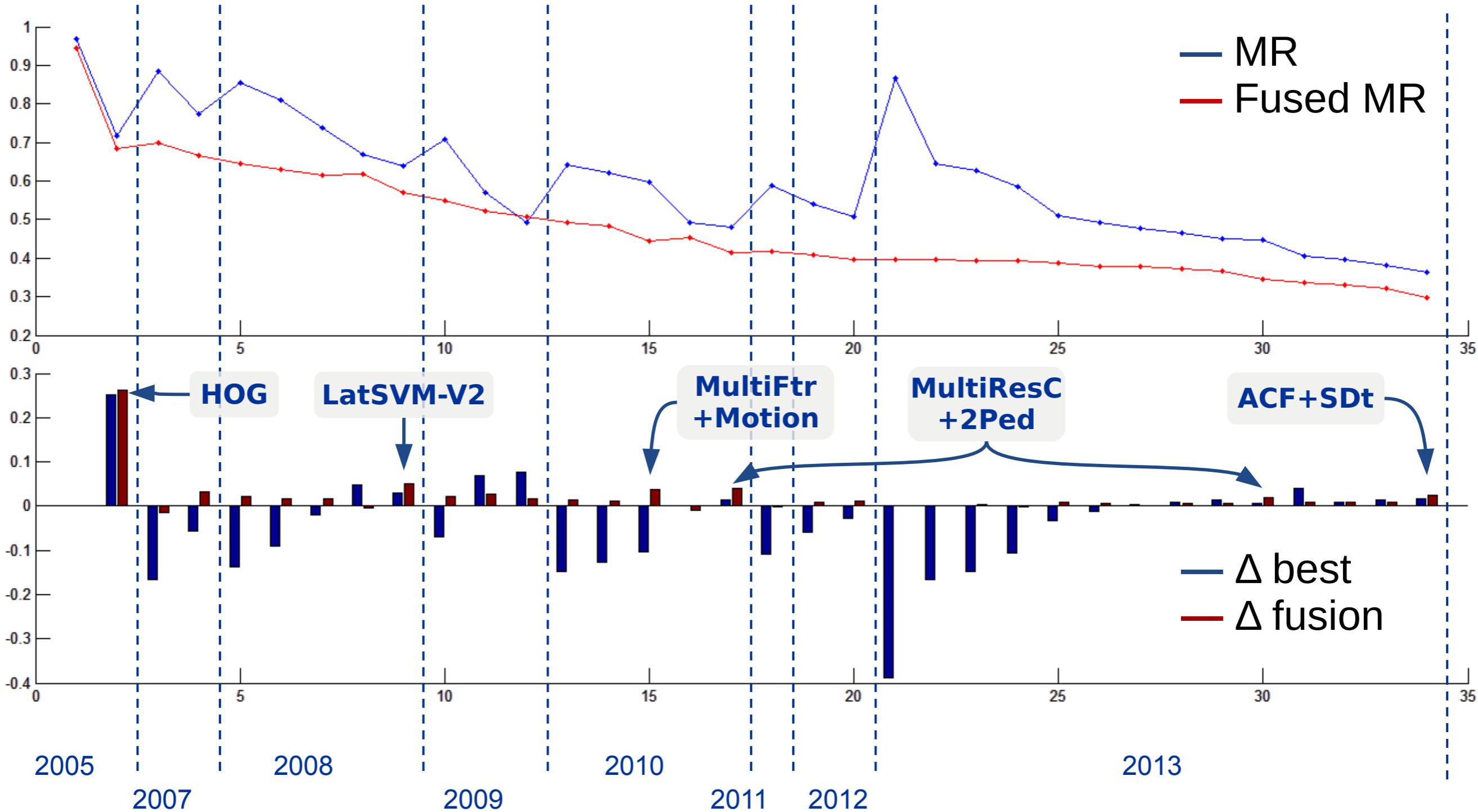
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Surprise 2: no diminishing return observed (yet).

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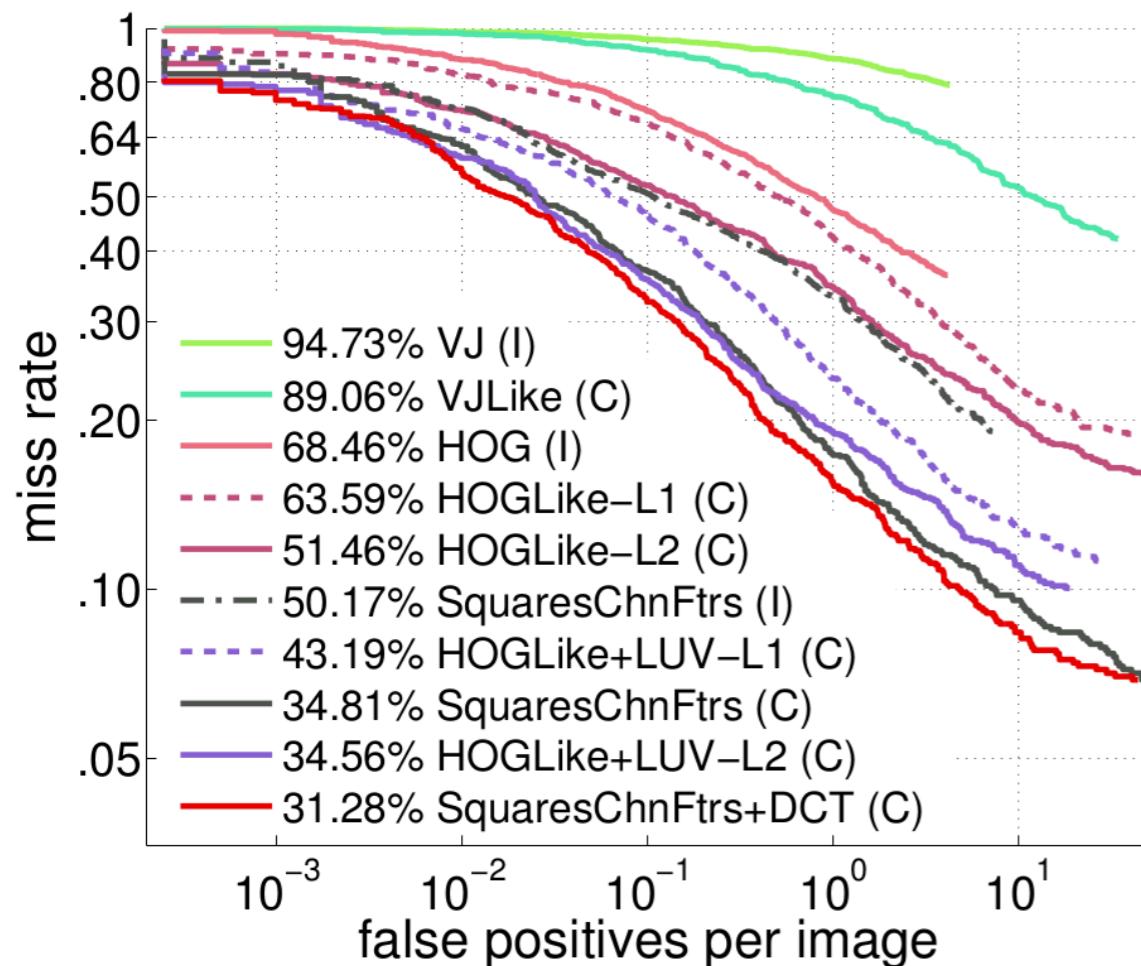


Merging all methods over time



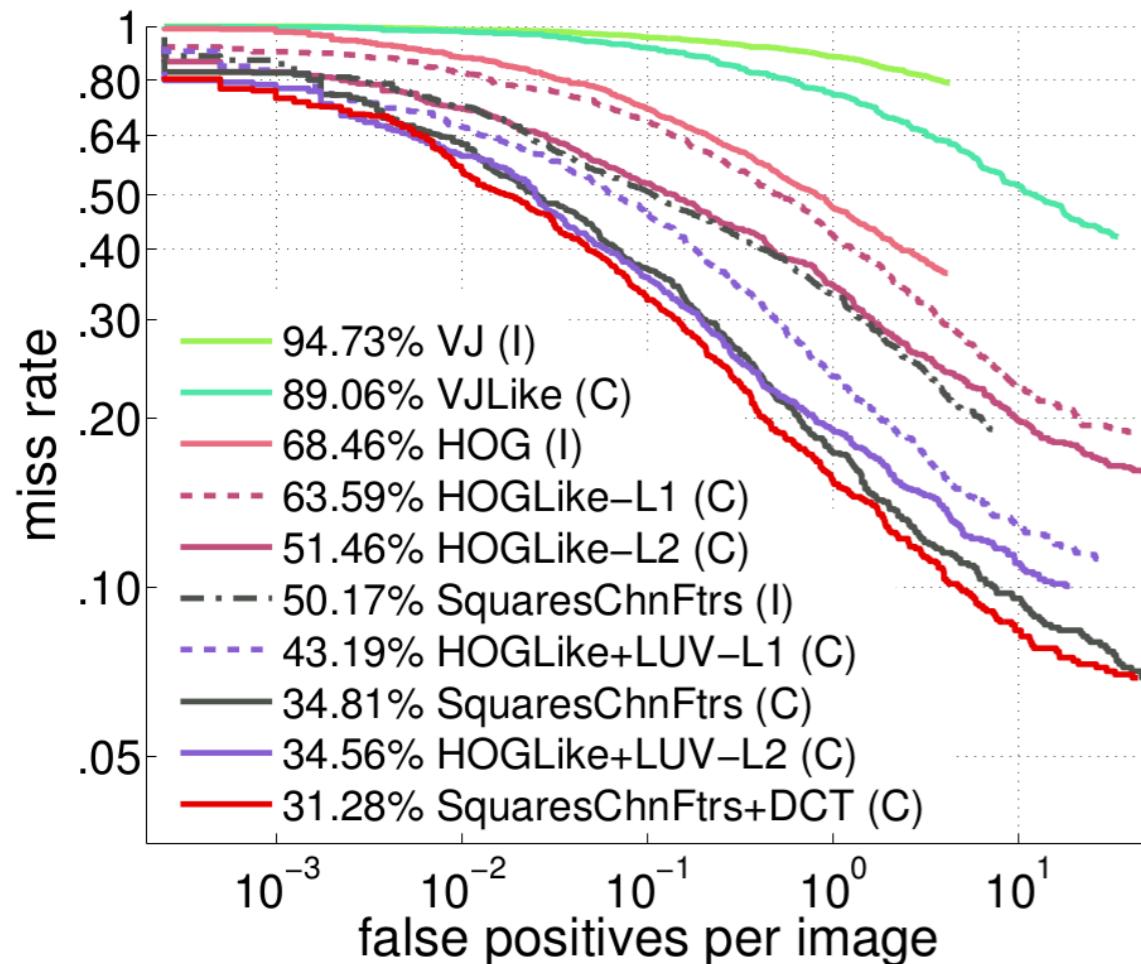
Slide from [Xu et al. BMVC 2014]

Surprise 3: Model capacity has not saturated

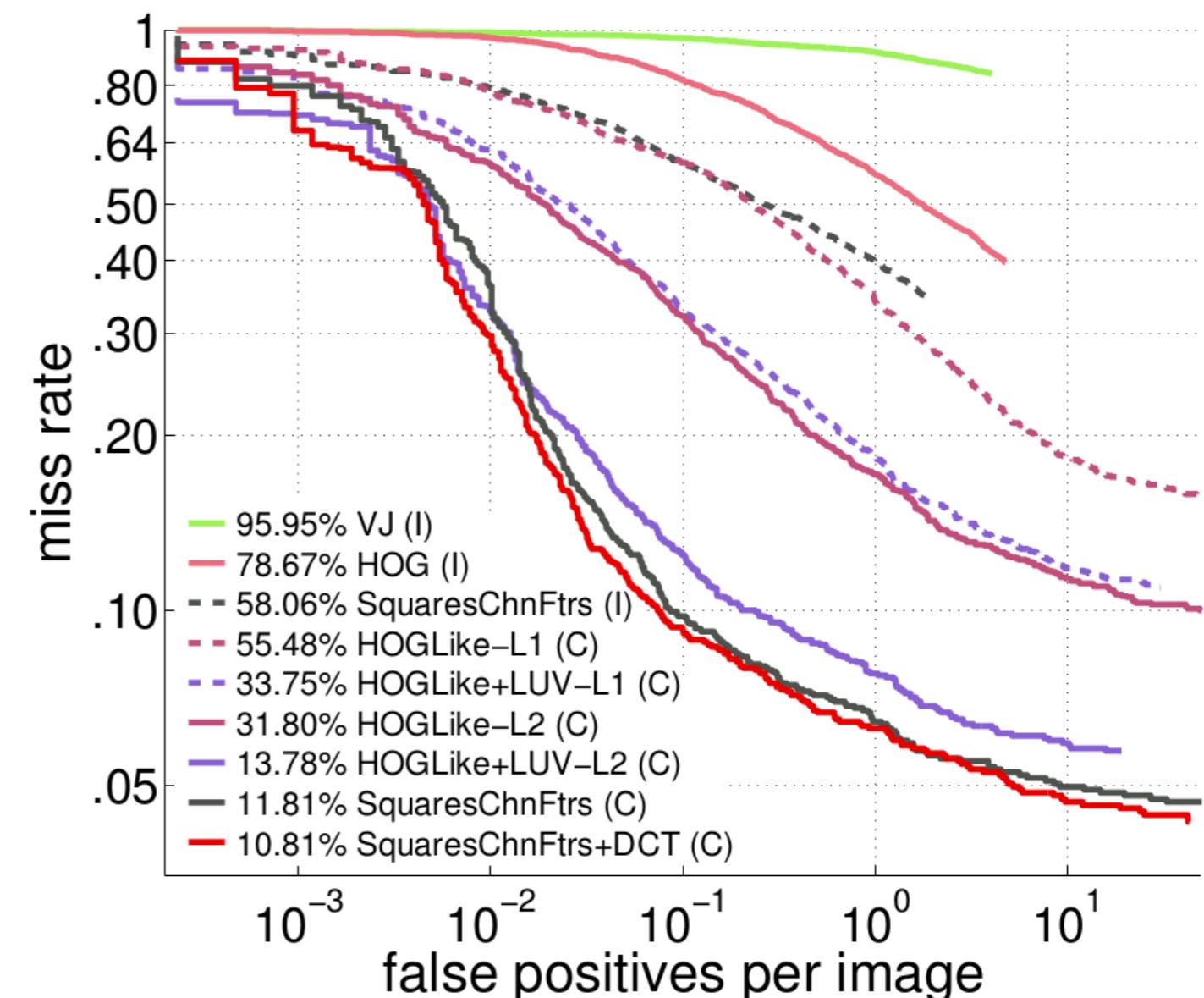


Caltech-USA
test set

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Caltech-USA
training set

What have we learned ?

- “Sooner or later, everything old is new again.” - Stephen King
Decade-old ideas still rule detection quality.
- Switching training data is not comparing apples-to-apples.
- Flow, context, and strong features are very complementary (still).
- All other aspects have yet to make a “definitive statement”.
- Features alone can explain a decade of detection quality progress.
- There is room for further improvement
by increasing model capacity (and better features).

How to further improve quality ?

- Stronger use of additional data
(scene flow on KITTI ?)
- Better context
(exploiting scene geometry)
- Further developing deep architectures
(end-to-end fine tuning)
- Most importantly: understanding
what makes good features good?

A close-up photograph of a smiling baby with blue eyes, wearing a grey onesie, sitting in a high chair. The baby is looking towards the camera with a joyful expression. To the right of the baby, a colorful mobile hangs, featuring various soft toys like a green elephant, an orange lion, a yellow zebra, and a black and white cheetah. The background shows a light-colored wall and a wooden high chair frame.

Questions?

See you at the poster !



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